

April 19, 2022

Town of Walpole  
Conservation Commission  
135 School Street  
Walpole, MA 02081

RE: Notification of Utility Maintenance Activities  
Eversource — Vegetation Maintenance Project – ROW 10

Dear Members of the Walpole Conservation Commission,

NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy Service Company (Eversource) respectfully submits this letter to provide the Walpole Conservation Commission with notification that starting as early as the week of April 25, 2022 there will be vegetation maintenance activities taking place along an existing electric transmission corridor on Right-of-Way (ROW) 10 in Walpole, Massachusetts. Proposed work activities include the use of timber construction matting in wetlands to gain access to upland areas for vegetation mowing. In order to limit impacts to delineated wetland resource areas located along the access route, construction matting will be placed within Bordering Vegetated Wetlands (BVW). Construction matting will be removed from BVW immediately following completion of the vegetation maintenance. As is a common procedure, Eversource is planning to perform this work in accordance with the provision of the Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. c. 131 § 40) and the Town of Walpole Wetlands Protection Bylaw (Article XXIV Chapter 561) which allows for maintaining, repairing or replacing existing transmission line structures or facilities without filing a Notice of Intent, provided that the structure or facility is not substantially changed or enlarged.

The work will take place on the existing right-of-way (ROW) in Walpole northeast of High Street as shown on the attached Project Plans. All construction mats will be removed immediately following the completion of work and areas will be allowed to re-vegetate naturally. Appropriate Best Management Practices will be implemented to ensure that no long-term adverse effects occur within wetland resources as a result of this necessary vegetation maintenance work.

As previously stated, the work is scheduled to begin as early as the week of April 25, 2022. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact me at 781-441-8845 or Sarah French of VHB at 508-513-2727. Thank you for your consideration of this information.

Kind Regards,



Matthew Devlin  
Eversource Senior Environmental Specialist

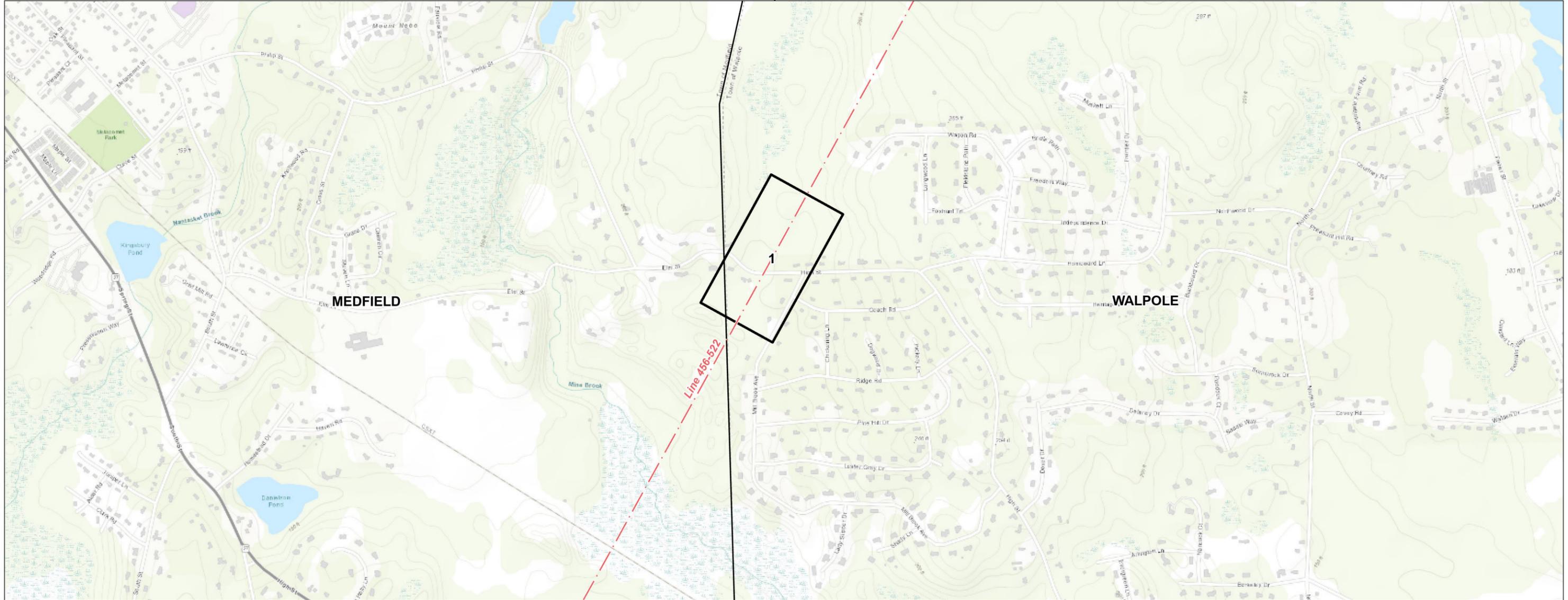
*Attachments:*

Project Plans

cc: Sarah French, VHB

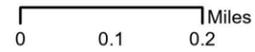
**2022 - ROW 10 - Line 456-522**  
**WALPOLE, MA**  
 Vegetation Maintenance Plan

Date: April 19, 2022



**Legend**

- Substation
- Map Index
- Overhead Eversource Line



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 Berlin, CT 06037

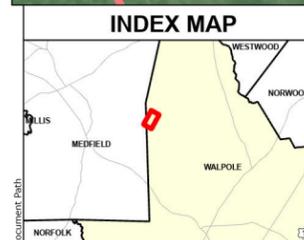
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120 Front St #500  
 Worcester, MA 01608



TEMPORARY WETLAND IMPACT:  
903 SF



- Structure
- Existing Access
- - - Overhead Eversource Line
- ▭ Eversource Owned Property
- ▭ Existing Right-of-Way
- Delineated Wetland Boundary Outline
- ▭ Field Delineated Wetland
- ▭ Approximate Wetland (not delineated)
- ▭ Temporary Construction Matting
- ★ Potential Vernal Pool
- ▭ Municipal Boundary
- ▭ Parcel Boundary

Note: No Areas of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC), Outstanding Resource Waters (ORW), or Surface Water Protection (SWP) in map extent



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**EVERSOURCE ENERGY**

**2022 - ROW 10  
Vegetation Management Plans**

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